

REMARKS

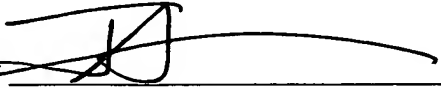
Claims 17-20 were rejected under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claim 17 has been amended to clarify the method of obtaining the alkenyl aryl, which is by dehydration. As mentioned in the specification on page 11, line 7, the references WO 99/42425 and WO 99/42426 described such processes. In view of this Amendment, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments, Applicants believe the instant application to be in condition for allowance and respectfully request that such action be taken.

Respectfully submitted,

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